

Colleagues,

I want to introduce you to a few new employment resources that I hope you will review and share with others.

First, we are excited to share with you an updated Veterans Hiring Guide, available at <https://www.vetsuccess.va.gov/public/employers.html>. The guide provides a central location for tools and business incentives. Our goal is to help employers find job-seeking Veterans or assist with ongoing efforts with Veteran hiring programs. We have also included key resources for employers seeking to attract military spouses. We have worked this closely with the U.S. Chamber of Commerce to reach employers, and model strong public/private partnerships. We gathered input from the Departments of Defense, Labor and Education. This guide is a great refresh of a 2012 hiring guide developed and published by the White House Business Council, but includes many more resources (especially VA's) for private sector employers interested in hiring Veterans.

Additionally, the Department of Labor recently released [Public Service Announcement videos](#) to provide transitioning military service members and Veterans information about education, training, and employment opportunities available as well as encouraging employers to hire Veterans. The PSAs, which feature Marine and Navy Veteran Montel Williams and Marine veteran R. Lee Ermey, run approximately 30 seconds each. They can also be great resources for many organization's social media outlets. The Department of Labor has over 2,000 American Job Centers they are encouraging Veterans to leverage in their job search.

We hope you find this information useful and thank you for your continued efforts in helping Veterans find the employment they deserve.

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Note: We apologize in advance if we are unable to respond directly to your questions.

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